

Information For Visa Applicants

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The United States Consulate General in Amsterdam is resuming limited visa services. As of July 15, we are processing limited visa categories including immigrant visas (IR-1, IR-2, CR-1, CR-2) and non-immigrant visas (C1/D, E, F-1/F-2, certain J-1/J-2, M-1/M-2, and certain petition-based visa categories). Please review the detailed list of requirements for certain visa categories listed below. While the Consulate aims to process cases as soon as practicable, there is likely to be increased wait times for completing such services due to substantial backlogs. The MRV fee is valid and may be used to schedule an interview appointment in the country where it was purchased within one year of the date of payment.

We will also continue to provide emergency and mission critical services. If you have an urgent matter and need to travel immediately, please follow the guidance provided at <https://ais.usvisa-info.com/en-nl/niv/information/faqs#visa-appt>, or contact us via email at fae_contractus+nl+info+en@visaops.net or call [+31 20 241 0364](tel:+31202410364) (Netherlands) and [+1 703 543 9346](tel:+17035439346) (U.S.) to request an emergency appointment.

STUDENTS – F1, M1 and their dependents (F2, M2)

- Must have a valid I-20
- SEVIS fee paid
- If you currently have a valid F1/F2/ M1/M2 visa and a valid I-20, you do not need to reapply for a visa.

EXCHANGE VISITORS – J1 and their dependents (J2)

- Must have a valid DS-2019
- If you currently have a valid J1/J2 visa and a valid DS-2019 and are not subject to the restrictions in Presidential Proclamation 10052, you do not need to reapply for a visa. Presidential Proclamation 10052 restricts the entry of the following categories:
 - Au Pairs
 - Summer camp counselors
 - Interns
 - Trainees
 - Teachers
 - Summer work travel programs

HOW TO APPLY:

- Complete the online application – [DS-160](#)
- Appointments are available through the [online scheduling service](#):
- If you have a valid F1/F2/M1/M2 visa and I-20, you do not need to reapply.

Applicants for H1B, H2B, H4, L, and certain J categories covered by [Presidential Proclamation 10052](#) should request an appointment only if you have reason to believe you may qualify for one of the exceptions listed in the Proclamation

here: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/proclamation-suspending-entry-aliens-present-risk-u-s-labor-market-following-coronavirus-outbreak/> and <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/News/visas-news/exceptions-to-p-p-10014-10052-suspending-entry-of-immigrants-non-immigrants-presenting-risk-to-us-labor-market-during-economic-recovery.html>.

Applicants are reminded that on March 11, President Trump signed a proclamation suspending entry into the United States of aliens who were physically present in any of the 26 countries that make up the Schengen Area, including the Netherlands, within the 14 days preceding their entry or attempted entry into the United States. This proclamation is still in effect. If there is an urgent need to travel and you have reason to believe you may qualify for one of the exceptions listed in the Proclamation email us at AmsterdamCOVID19@state.gov for more information.

For information on national interest exceptions to the Presidential Proclamations please visit: <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/News/visas-news/national-interest-exceptions-from-certain-travelers-from-the-schengen-area-uk-and-ireland.html>

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Questions regarding the national interest exceptions that are available can be sent to AmsterdamCOVID19@state.gov.